Box No. VIII (iii) DECLARATION: ENTITLEMENT TO CLAIM PRIORITY

The declaration must conform to the standardized wording provided for in Section 213; see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (iii). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.

Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application specified below, where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application or where the applicant's name has changed since the filing of the earlier application (Rules 4.17(iii) and 51his.1(a)(iii)):

Ecolab Inc., 370 Wabasha Street N, St. Paul, MN 55102-1390, USA, is entitled to claim priority of earlier application DE 102 57 390.5 by virtue of the following:

(vii) transfer of entitlement from Ecolab GmbH & Co. KG to Ecolab Inc. by way of assignment of priority right dated May 26, 2003

This declaration is made for the purpose of all designations

(Dr. Thomas Godemeyer)